

Bar Hill News

April '03 No. 397



Quiz Night
Wednesday 9th April
8pm in the Village Hall

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Annual Parish Meeting
Wednesday 30th April
7.30pm in the Village Hall

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Easter Services

Maundy Thursday 17th	8pm
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Bar Hill School PTA
Nearly New Sale
Saturday 5th April
2pm until 4pm
School Hall

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Village Fete
28th June

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Copy date for the next issue is 15th April
to Martin Avery at bhneditor@yahoo.com
or see page 2 for other contact details

Bar Hill Residents' Association

03/04 Committee

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The Objectives

The objectives of the Association are to act as an intermediary between the Residents and other parties, to keep Residents informed of matters of importance and recreation in and around the Village, and to promote the interests of Bar Hill. Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Association.

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What ? (see insert)	Cost ? (per month)	Who, where, how ? (see above)	When ? (in month)
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Commercial 'Maxi' Ads.	£5	Editor	15th
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The '1/4 page' adverts are for local businesses and we guarantee that they are always printed. This often results in a 'waiting list'. To overcome this we provide 'mini' and 'maxi' adverts that we use as 'fillers' for the text pages and do not guarantee their inclusion due to restrictions on the number of pages we can produce. Any item can be submitted electronically via Microsoft Office files on disc or over the net via bhneditor@yahoo.com.

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Physiotherapist	Monday	8.40 onwards	Tuesday	3 pm onwards
Midwife (Antenatal)			Monday	2 pm onwards
Child Health Clinic			1st and 3rd Fridays	2 pm onwards
Chiropody	Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	9.00 - 12.00	Thursday	2 - 5 pm
Dietitian	1st Tuesday	9.30 - 12.30		
Orthoptist	2nd Tuesday and 4th Friday	9.00 - 12.30		
Psychiatric Nurse			1st, 2nd & 4th Wednesday	2 pm onwards
CAMTAD	4th Tuesday	9.00 - 11.30		
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Useful telephone numbers

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Health Centre	780442
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School	273305
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Village Hall	206179



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Bar Hill Residents' Association Membership

At the AGM held on 28th February, households in Bar Hill are automatically members of the Residents' Association. (postponed from 31st January because of the inclement weather) it was decided that residential membership fees for the current year (2003) would be paid from accumulated funds. Therefore, all

Committee meetings take place in the School on the second Tuesday of each month. Committee members are listed on page 2.

Editorial

As a result of the County Council's review of library services, and of the placing of Bar Hill Library in the category of libraries 'below the average of the 34 (Cambridgeshire) libraries in terms of both the performance and community factors', a meeting took place to assess the library's future on February 13th, at which a representative of the Residents' Association was present.

From the meeting, the following facts emerged. That, over ten years, book issues had declined by 45%, whereas the average for community libraries was 29%. In 1992-93, three years after the opening of the library, book issues were approximately 110,000; in 2002-02, they had declined to 60,589. Moreover, the number of visits between 1996-97 and 2001-02 had declined by 38%.

Mitigating circumstances were found in that the decline in the number of book issues has accelerated from about 80,000 to the present 60,589 since Tesco opened on the present site. As the percentage of members among the under-fives and the over-sixties is broadly in line with the County average of 6 and 14, it is likely that the major decrease in borrowing has been among middle age-groups and especially among those coming into Bar Hill from outside on shopping expeditions.

Recent promotional activity centred on the younger age-groups at Bar Hill School and among the under-fives (Bookstart) has been successful (almost all the 240 school pupils who visited the library during 2002 became members), but that among adults to a far lesser extent. The meeting discussed

changes in opening hours so as to align them to the times when most people are about in the village, especially pupils at Swavesey Village College who might benefit from having the library open later in the evenings. With the installation of the People's Network (9 PCs, 2 for children only), the library is noticeably busier, a trend which is expected to continue with the adjustments in opening hours, and the library has been brought up to 'DDA (Disability Discrimination Act) Standard' so that it is more accessible to the disabled.

The closure of a number of small libraries has released funds to improve both the quantity and range of the book stock. In November 2002, 346 of the 788 items on loan from the library were linked to Bar Hill postcodes though 1,858 members were registered at Bar Hill; this indicates the extent of the 'catchment area' but with members in it visiting the library less often. With the investment which has taken place, and the confidence shown in the library, it is up to these members and more besides to take maximum advantage of it. This has to be set against demographic factors such as a slow decline in the population of the village due to no new houses being built and a reduction in house-occupancy – fewer children are being registered at the school Reception Classes as a result.

For the library to have a viable and long-term future in the village, especially with the new town being built during the next decade at Longstanton, it is essential that the present decline in borrowings be discontinued. Please use it.

Roger Hall, Chairman



QUIZ NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL AT THE VILLAGE HALL, BAR HILL FROM 8PM TO 10PM.

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*Cynthia Bidwell
Practice Manager*

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SKATEBOARD PARK

It has come to the attention of the Parish Council that youngsters have been having parties over at the Skateboard Park. This we are quite happy with but unfortunately some youngsters have seen fit to start bonfires. This is extremely dangerous. If these fires get out of control and the ramps get damaged, they WILL NOT be replaced. If this happens in the future

then the Police will be called as this is an illegal activity on Parish Council land.

LIBRARY

I have been informed by Cambridge County Council that user numbers have been falling at the Library. This could have dire consequences in the future for the village. PLEASE, PLEASE support your local amenities and use the Library whenever you can.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 17th April 2003 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. The public is very welcome to attend the meeting.

Also our Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 30th April, again in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

There is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. Please see the back page.

Leigh Baffa, Parish Clerk

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Letters to the Editor

Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those held by the Residents' Association Committee. Alternative viewpoints are always welcome but anonymous letters will not be printed. The Editor reserves the right to withhold names and addresses where appropriate.



Thanks.

Eddie Patrick and Janet Kempson would like to thank everyone for their kindness and expressions of sympathy following the death of Doreen.

Special thanks to all at Bar Hill Church and members of the Royal British Legion branch.

Dear Editor,

Could we spare a thought for the residents in the bungalows of Appletrees who live adjacent to the ones destroyed by arson.

They have lived all winter with tarpaulins and plastic flapping in the wind when noises in the night can be frightening to them. One lady has had to move out and probably won't return while the others have lost the joy and pleasure they had in those bungalows and even contemplate moving.

It is questionable whether Papworth Trust was insensitive in placing a young person among those of a much greater age but any concerns or queries they raised with Papworth Trust were largely ignored.

Surely it is time the bungalows were restored and also time someone was charged with the arson if only to allay the rumours.

Name and address supplied.

Dear Editor,

First of all, I think that I should acknowledge the difficult task facing retail outlets when it comes to combatting the dreaded shoplifter. Pilfering on any scale will affect us all in one way or another, not least of which is the increased margins shops must apply to offset the losses incurred as a result of this reprehensible act.

However, it must be approached and dealt with delicately and with some degree of acceptance that the suspected person is just that - suspected.

On the 5th of March 2003, my step-daughter visited Tesco, primarily to purchase some make-up. She is 22 years of age and was alone. After being unsuccessful in finding the right product, she moved on and made a couple of other purchases - paid for them and attempted to leave the store. She was prevented from doing so by 3 male members of Tesco staff plus a female member. One of the men was a security guard and another, the duty manager.

She was advised she was being detained for shoplifting and was escorted through the store by these four

individuals to offices at the rear.

As an ex-temporary employee of Tesco, my step-daughter was familiar with what was happening but protested her innocence - to no avail. Apparently, they had viewed the security video 3 times and were "100% certain" she had stolen some make-up.

So as not to prolong this story, she was able to show an empty make-up container she had taken with her to assist in matching the correct product and it was this being returned to her bag which had been caught on camera.

My problem is how it was handled. Why 4 members of staff for a lone woman? Why make this detention one of public humiliation? Surely, a quiet word at the door by one member of staff with others waiting "in the wings" should there be any sign of trouble would have been more appropriate.

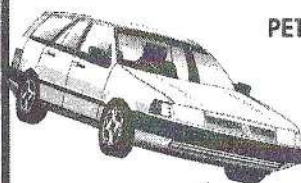
They may have been "100% certain" but, they were wrong. Their behaviour was appalling and their mob handed approach unnecessary, especially given that this was a young woman alone. We await a written apology as I write but, Tesco, I suggest you review your procedures and learn from your mistakes - I would not want to think that someone else is going to be as badly affected as my step-daughter was that night.

*Paul Jackson
 Acorn Avenue.*

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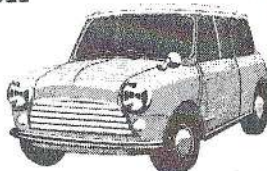


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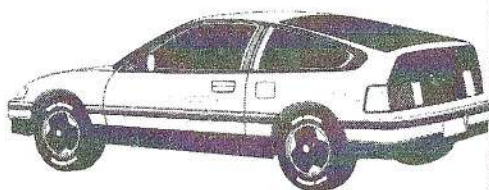
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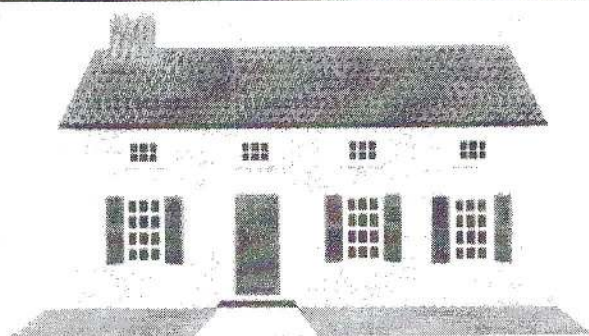
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The aim of our community playgroup is to enhance the development of **all** children placed in our care. This is achieved through the various activities we have in our **two rooms**, which provides the educational setting required by OFSTED. Our qualified friendly 'Early Year's Practitioners' - Sonya, Julie and Sylvia supervise our sessions.

WE OFFER YOUR CHILD:

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- * We recognize parents are the first and most important educators of young children. We therefore offer the opportunity to directly get involved in the playgroup through our parent helper scheme. This offers reduced fees if you choose to help at a session your child attends.

We also offer the Parent/carers the opportunity to become a committee member and be part of the running and decision making of the playgroup.

CURRICULUM

Within the group all children are supported in developing their potential at their own pace. Our Key worker system enables our staff team to ensure a planned curriculum tailored to the needs of each individual child. Using the Foundation Stage Curriculum the child's development is split into 6 areas of learning.

SESSION TIMES

Mon	9.15 - 11.45	
Tues	9.15 - 10.45	Play tots
	12.15 - 02.45	
Wed	9.15 - 11.45	
Thurs	9.15 - 11.45	
Fri	9.15 - 12.45	Rising 5's

LUNCH CLUB

As well as our sessions we offer a Lunch Club for the children every day.

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri	11.45 - 12.45
Tues	11.15 - 12.15

The Lunch Club which is partly funded through the New Opportunities Fund, offers the child the opportunity to have their packed lunch at the Pre-School with their friends and our staff team. Lunch Club places can be booked through our administrator

NURSERY VOUCHERS

Under the Nursery Grant Scheme we can offer 5 free sessions when your child is eligible. For further information please contact, Julie Jolley 780445.

SUBSIDISED PLACES

We also offer reduced session rates for Parents/Carers on Income Support/ Working Tax Credit.

Proof of benefit will be asked, to claim discount.

PLAY TOTS

This is run by Sonya on a

Tuesday morning and is an excellent way for your tiny tots to get used to the idea of pre-school. The starting age is One Year until Three. It is popular with both parents and childminders and really gives children the chance to enjoy playing and crafts. We want to give parents maximum time to enjoy playing with their children and to have a well deserved break, so no tidying or clearing up duties. The playgroup takes care of that. Tea and coffee is available for adults, and children are given a drink and biscuit as part of the entrance fee. The other good news is that it is "pay on the day" so you don't lose out if you can't make it one week. Come and see us, no need to book. Just turn up on the day.

PLACES

For places ring Sylvia **201670**. Application forms are available at Playgroup, The Library and the foyer of the Village Hall.

Sylvia D.

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Tots and Teds



Tots and Teds is a friendly group of parents and carers who meet in the Meetings-Room in the Church Centre. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays are all Pay and Play sessions and are open to all pre-school children. These are payable in advance or on the day: whichever you find more convenient. Tuesday sessions are for 18 months to 3 years and Thursday sessions are, currently, 0 to 18 months only. Both sessions are bookable and payable termly in advance. Each session is open from 9.45 - 11.15 and includes free refreshments for both children and adults.

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Welcome back after the break. I'm sure you will notice a few changes this term. Some sessions have changed and we also said goodbye to Louise at the end of last term.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 2nd April. A.G.M. 8.00pm in the Meetings Room.

We are also having a Body Shop demonstration. So come along and try out this seasons new colours. There will also be wine and nibbles. Please consider joining the committee and making a difference to your child's time at Tots and Teds. We can't run without your support. For more information or to join the new committee please ask your supervisor. There is now a list on the notice board of available jobs. Please add your name to the job you are interested in. If you have any questions please speak to Kirsten

(200228) or Sarah (200469). We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the night. Tots and Teds is run for the benefit of all our children please come along and support us tonight.

Wednesday 16th April 10.00 to 12.00 in the Meetings Room. Sponsored Easter Obstacle Course.

This event is open to all children up to the age of 8 years. they do not have to come to Tots and Teds or be sponsored in order to come along on the day.

Monday 28th April 10.00-11.30 in the Meetings Room. Entrance is £1.80 and includes juice for the children. There will be tea / coffee and cakes to buy.

For details on both playdays please look at the noticeboard at sessions.

Kirsten Goodfield.

MINUS 1 TO 5

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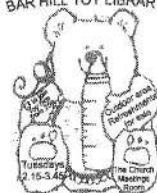
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BAR HILL TOY LIBRARY



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Our session is every Tuesday between 2.15pm and 3.45pm in the Church Meetings Room. Refreshments are available and with no obligation to borrow every week, you can just come along and play.

For more information about Toy Library visit our website at i.am/barhilltoylibrary or ring Sarah on 200469.



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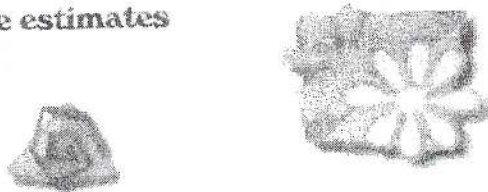
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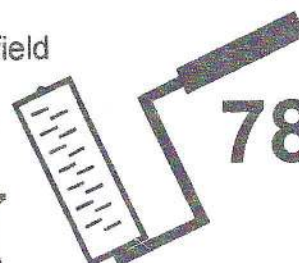
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If the Bar Hill News reaches you in time, please remember that you are most welcome to attend the Neighbourhood Watch A.G.M. which will be held on Thursday 3rd April, in the Community Lounge Bar Hill Primary School, at 7.45 pm.

*Jill Smith - Telephone 205453
VILLAGE CO-ORDINATOR*



The Royal British Legion Bar Hill Branch

The monthly meeting was held in the village hall on the 26th February, with an attendance of 20 members who welcomed the return of Eddie Patrick, our President.

The branch members recently attended the county conference, which, despite the closure of four branches, was well supported. It is always sad when you hear of branches closing - mainly through lack of support or members getting older, and nobody thinks it is worthwhile to carry on - It is vital that branches are kept going for all the work the Royal British Legion does. It is not only for the yearly poppy appeal, but it is a 365 days a year commitment of support for those members who need it, both ex-service and serving personnel.

As mentioned in last month's BHN, a fish-and-chip supper was held at Ann & Mike Duce's house. All those who attended extend their thanks for the hospitality.

There was a Group 4 meeting at Over Town Hall: a report will follow in the May BHN.

At our monthly meeting in February Malcolm Cox set the quiz, as he won at the fish-and-chip supper. This month's winner was Ann Duce. There followed the usual lively social session with the meeting closing at about 10pm.

The next branch meeting is on the 24th April at the Village Hall: 1930 hrs (7.30pm). New members are always welcome.

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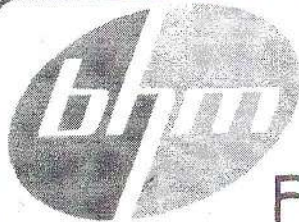


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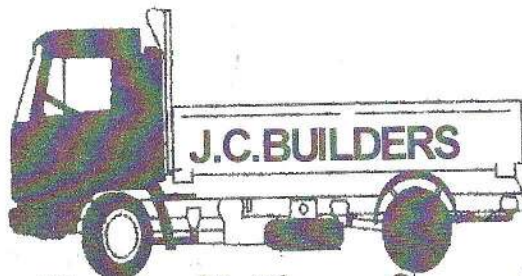
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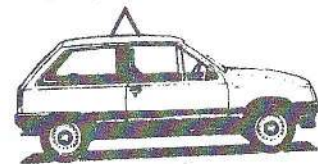
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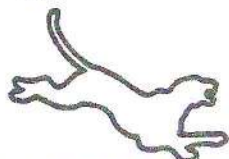
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The Minister's Letter

March winds and April showers bring about May flowers ... or something like that, anyway. Half-remembered bits of 'folk-wisdom' like that haunt my mind from time to time and I can hear my mother's voice as she used to intone them with almost religious fervour. If I ever had the temerity to ask 'why?', I would be informed that that was just how it was - March had winds, April had showers and May got the flowers. Now, while I'm writing this (at the beginning of March), I'm looking out of my window on a beautiful sunny spring day with hardly a breath of wind (and what's more, there's some nice flowers out already!). I've absolutely no idea what things will be like before March is out, let alone the projected rainfall of April.

What I do know is that no-one believes the old folk-wisdom any more. Global warming is partly to blame, or so we're told - there is less seeming regularity to the seasons and we're no longer sure that April will be showery. I don't know that things *are* much different than they were (after all, I can remember in my childhood a test match being snowed off at the beginning of 'blazing' June!), but our trust in the simple regularities of life have gone.

Part of it is due to so-called chaos theory. The flap of a Brazilian butterfly can apparently cause a hurricane in the USA. We all know life can get chaotic at times - where none of the usual certainties seems to hold true: a sudden

loss of job, bereavement, the ups and downs of the stock exchange and the effect that has on pensions, a spouse lost to an extramarital affair - nothing seems to hold true any more.

We don't trust politicians, we don't trust the medical service, we don't trust the police, we don't trust the Church and we're getting dubious about 'science'. Cynicism has become the most fashionable of attitudes and ironic sarcasm the favourite mode of communication.

The Easter story has Pilate asking, "What is truth?" when confronted by a man who lived a radically different sort of life. The Easter story has world-weary politicians agreeing to kill one innocent man so that the nation might survive. The Easter story has all sorts of chaos as the disciples are thrown into turmoil before the world-shattering events of the first Good Friday. The Easter story even has severe weather conditions!

AND ... the Easter story has truth underlying everything. What a truth: there is a God who can be trusted. Jesus faced the total disintegration of his world with an unshakeable faith in a trustworthy God. I've no idea what the weather will be like this April, but I do trust the same God who brought Jesus back from the dead.

"Don't get so worried", Jesus said, "you can trust God, and you can trust me too". John 14:1

The Rev'd Paul Rush

Bar Hill Church Knit and Natter

We are a friendly and welcoming group of ladies who meet on Thursday afternoons at 1.30 - 3.30pm in the Octagon. We do what our name suggests, we knit and natter over tea, coffee and cakes. You are welcome to come along even if you don't knit! We also arrange regular outings to various places, have lunches, and hold regular coffee mornings every month. We are also looking for donations of double knitting wool so that we can continue making blankets which we give to various organisations that need them and bric-a-brac for our stalls. If you would like more information about us then please either call in on Thursdays or contact Sue Kenchington 780260.

Saturday 12th April - Easter Lunch in the Octagon 12.30pm for 1pm onwards (ring Sue for details)

Karen Austen

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30th April: Shared lunch at 12.30 – 2.30pm, at Willingham

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Swavesey Radsoc

30th Anniversary Reunion

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At the start of our meeting on Monday 3rd of March, Ruby Hunt, one of our founder members, read a paper respecting how the Club was formed, and of its first meeting in November 1989. What good foresight those founder members had. Thankfully, many of those members are still with us, and still enjoying the benefits of the Club.

More Nostalgia. In 1941 Harry Goodwin was serving with the Royal Army Service Corps, in North Africa, when the coastal town of Tobruk first fell to the German and Italian armies. He was taken prisoner, travelled through various Prisoner of War Camps in Italy, and eventually found himself in a P. of W Camp near to Dresden in East Germany, where he was to stay until liberated at the end of the war in May 1945. During his imprisonment, against all rules and regulations, Harry kept a day to day diary of his life as a prisoner of war, which by various means he was able to keep until he returned home. Unfortunately, Harry died in December 1980. His widow, one of our founder members, Olwen Goodwin, kept this treasured diary, and after many years offered it to the Imperial War Museum. The Museum gladly agreed to accept and display the diary, and also agreed

to arrange for a little conservation work to be done on the two notebooks, to repair the binding and ensure that loose pages do not go astray. On Thursday 13th February 2003, the anniversary day of the great R.A.F bombing raid of Dresden, in 1945 Olwen was invited to the Imperial War Museum in London, for an Official Presentation Ceremony, which she found most moving. The diary is now on show for historians and other visitors. Copies of the diary are at present being translated into German as a project by school children at a Dresden school. Olwen is now in receipt of a letter from the Archivist of the Museum, thanking her for the gift. Well done Olwen.

Outings. Our March outing was to Norwich on Saturday 15th for the Matinee Performance of the Ice Show'. The April outing is now arranged for a visit to Bourton-on-the-Water, in the Cotswolds, and on Sunday 27th, April we start our six day visit to Llandudno and North Wales.

New Member. We are pleased to welcome Beth Long, a new member who is already enjoying our company and our meetings.

Police Seminar. On Wednesday 26th March, 18 of our members are attending a seminar arranged by the Cambridgeshire Constabulary at the St. Ivo Centre, at St. Ives, entitled 'Closing the Door on Bogus Callers and Rogue Traders' The seminar starts at 10.00am with a break for lunch, ending at about 3.00pm.

Sickness. I hear that our good friend, Joan Platt is now waiting to return to hospital for further surgery on her knee. Apart from one or two suffering from colds, most members appear to be keeping well, as was shown at our last meeting when there were 72 in attendance.

Easter and May Day. There will be no Club Meetings on Monday 21st April and on Monday 5th May

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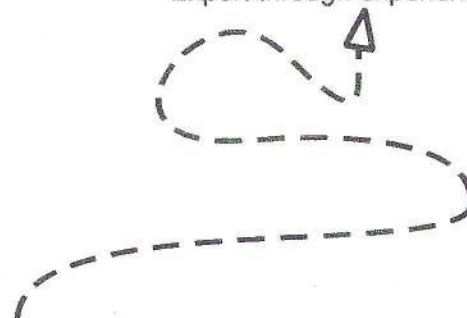
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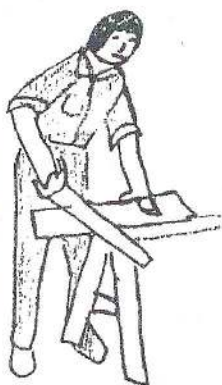
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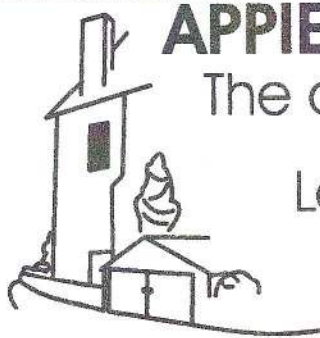
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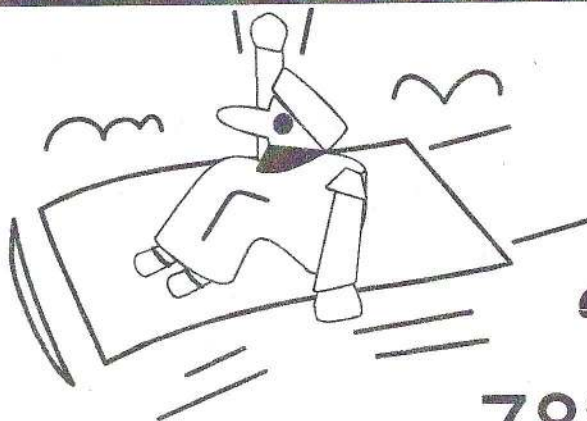
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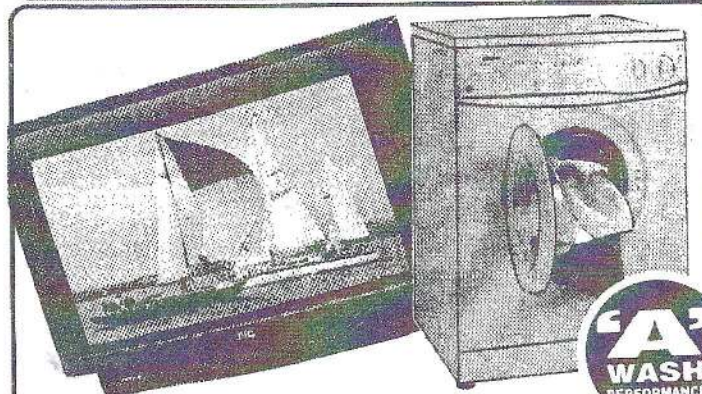
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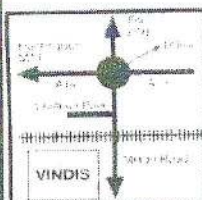
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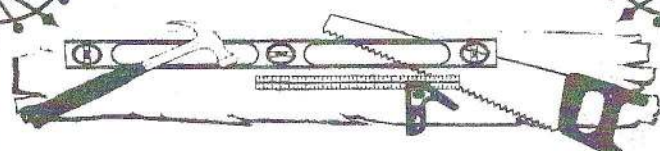
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Allotments Society

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Bar Hill Allotments society is invited to contact Paul Lloyd on 200591

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Found, a small gold earring on the spine path. Phone 201127

Found, Girl's mountain bike, pinkish frame, 10-speed gears, may have been lost some time ago. Phone 782441

Found: Two men's watches, on or near the Astroturf. Please phone Lisa on 201160

National Women's Register

We meet once a fortnight on a Monday or Thursday evening at 8pm. We are a lively group of women of varied ages and a cross section of occupations. Newcomers are always welcome, so why not come along and join us?

Diary Dates

Thursday 17th April - In the days of Oliver Cromwell at 16 Acorn avenue

Monday 28th April - Patio/Small Place Gardening (Speaker: Rodney Tibbs) at 20 Field View

For more information please don't hesitate to contact Jill Smith on **205453** or Joan Tanton **780529**

Jill Smith



Cricket Club

The cricket season will start with a Friendly on 26th April so for all those wishing to get some net sessions under their belts before the season starts, haven't got long. The last net session at the Perse School will be on 20th April. Net sessions have been well attended although there is still some spare capacity, so set the alarm clock early this Sunday and pop along at 9.45am.

The 1st Team League fixtures have been announced and we start off our season with a visit from Fen Ditton on 3rd May, followed by our first (and usually last) Cup game on 11th May at home to Comberton 2nds. Sunday Friendlies are still being arranged but it is hoped that we should have a full fixture list by the time you read this.

The Under 15's start this years League campaign away to Over and the Under 13's face NCI at home, both in the week commencing 5th May. At the time of writing we are still seeking a Manager for the Under 13's, so if you are interested or know somebody that might be, then please give the Secretary, Simon Smith, a ring on 01954 200207.

I would like to finish with a reminder for members. You need to return your Membership Forms before the season starts as without them you will not be covered by the Club's personal injury insurance.

If you haven't got a form or have lost it, please contact Simon Smith on 200207 or just declare an interest on the on-line form on the Web Site (www.barhillcricket.org.uk) and we will send one out.



Football Project

The PROJECT is now in full use, and the floodlit all weather surface is seen lighting up the sky nearly every evening with training sessions and the "village floodlit 5-a-side league". The Parish Council owned facility, is available for hire by clubs, organisations or private hire for matches or football birthday parties etc.

The village 5-a-side football league will soon be starting it's fourth phase. The first league was won by Brazil and the second by Bar Hill Blues. The current league is extremely tight with four teams on equal points with three weeks to play. If you are interested in entering a team into the league contact Paul Thorby on 781527.

Numbers attending the new Girls's football sessions run in conjunction with the Cambs FA have increased significantly. However they are always looking for more girls to play so do come along on a Monday evening at 7pm for coaching from qualified coaches.

The Active Sports Hockey coaching for younger players is now in full swing, and if you want to know more, or are interested in trying out your hockey skills please contact Claire Thorby on 781527. The Project has given a grant to two Bar Hill hockey coaches towards course fees for the Hockey England Level 1 Award. The plan is for the coaches to form a junior hockey club in the village later this year.

Thanks to Mandy Clare who opens the pitch for a casual kick around after school on a Thursday, everyone welcome.

We are persuing a wide range of other uses for the facility including volleyball and bowls. If you have any ideas on other sports or are able to offer some organisational help please let us know.

It is also pleasing to see Bar Hill School making greater use of this new facility in PE lessons.

If you wish to find out more about hiring the facility, then contact our Bookings Secretary, Lisa Francis on 201160.

*Paul Thorby, Secretary
Tel: 781527*

Friends of the Rosie Hospital

The Friends of the Rosie are a group of 70-80 enthusiastic and willing volunteers whose aim is to improve the services provided by the hospital by raising money to buy items that are not provided by the National Health Service.

As part of our fund-raising we run the Tea Shop in the Outpatient Clinic at the Rosie Hospital. The Tea Shop is open five days a week from 9am to 5pm. Can you help for a few hours a week or on an occasional basis? If so, please telephone Audrey Ryall on 01223 353566.

The Friends also have a loyal team of knitters who make children's clothes and toys (under the name "Rosie in Stitches") for us to sell. Our knitters are in urgent need of ribbons and polyester toy stuffing. We have stalls on Addenbrooke's Food Court every Tuesday from 10am to 4pm and every Thursday from 1pm to 4pm on Cambridge Market. We also have a stall at Addenbrooke's Outpatients on Wednesday 9th April, Monday 23rd June, Tuesday 22nd July and Monday 11th August. Can you help on our stalls, either regularly or occasionally? If so, please call Avril Williams on 01954 782431.

We also have a "Rosie in Stitches" display at the Rosie Outpatients Tea Bar, Chaplin's Fruit Farm in Fulbourn and from 1st to 22nd April at the Daily Bread Co-operative, Kings Hedges, Cambridge. If you are looking for a special gift for a friend or a relative come and choose from our wide selection at one of the above stalls.

If you would like to become a Friend of the Rosie or would like to make a donation please contact our Chairman, Mrs Sally Munday, 22 Fendon Road, Cambridge, CB1 7RT Telephone: 01223 212365.

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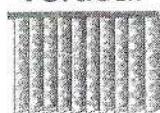
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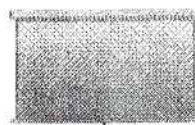
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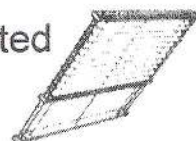


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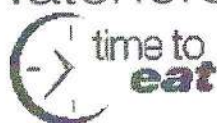
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So you could see two games on a Saturday, and three on a Sunday. With such a big backlog, you may even get the opportunity to cheer on the boys and girls at midweek games.

LOGO COMPETITION

This is still running, and hopefully as you read this, we will have been through the unenviable task of trying to decide a winner from all the excellent entries that we have had. I should be able to bring you some names, and the winner's Logos in the next edition of the BHN.

CONTACTS & MANAGERS

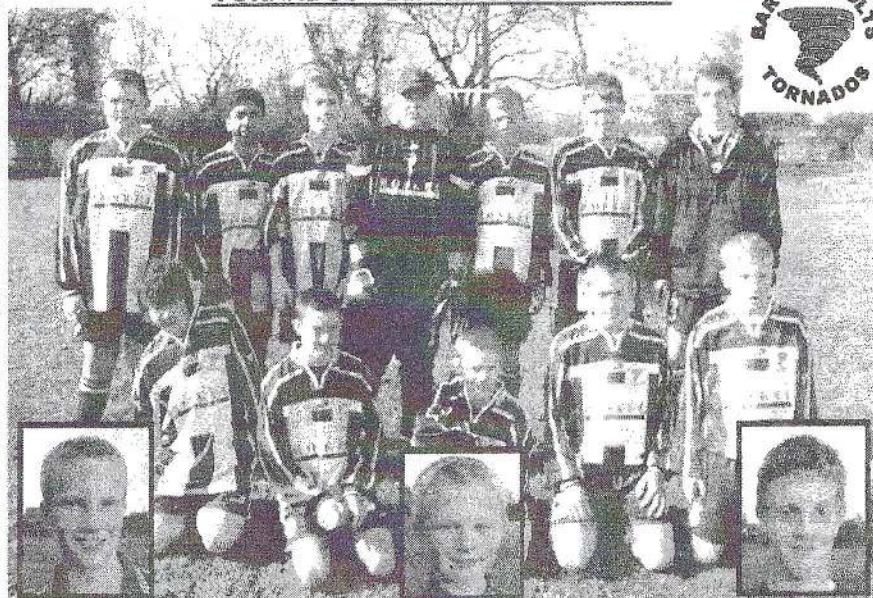
Hopefully I now have all the names and telephone numbers correct, so if you want to contact us, you should have all the correct details. If you are in any doubt, just pick up the phone and call any of us, and we should be able to help (if we are not out with the boys and girls kicking a football around.



AGE	MANAGER	TEL
U7	Rick Dorling	200408
U8	Sid Blake	789320
U9	Paul Thorby	781527
U10a	Jairo Marin	781838
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TORNADOS – Bar Hill Colts Under 14A



Scott Stanford, Merik (Mez) Chadda, George Brand, Ollie (Bubsie) Marsh, Luke Partridge (capt), Lee Butcher, Robert (Rabsie) Moore, Carl Young, Tom Ward, Joe MacMurray, Adam (Deano) Dean, Calum Gawthrope.

FEATURE TEAM – Under 14A

Our Under 14A team have been playing since they were only five or six years old. Many of the original team are still there, but we now have five regulars from outside Bar Hill, who have chosen to come and play. Although they can be seen sporting their new Blue & White kit, they haven't always played in the same strip. In fact their first year they made do with 2nd hand shirts from a market stall. The parents of the team then bought their first new, Tangerine and Black kit. Unfortunately the results were not quite as sharp. However after two mini-league seasons, being on the wrong end of the scoreline most weeks, their talent shone through, and in 1998 they were Littleport 5-a-side tournament

winners. This encouraged everyone, and the following season saw the new White, Black & Red kit take the field courtesy of **Brian Partridge** of **ROSCEL CONTRACTS**. Our thanks to Brian who has generously supported our team over the years. With the new kit, the Tornado badge was also born. After playing

out a last season at mini league, the boys stepped up the the big boy's 11-a-side game for the first time in the 1999-2000 season. And what a season it proved to be, clinching the **Runners Up** spot in **Division 11D**. The lads all got the magnificent trophy shown here, as an ever lasting momento. But the season didn't end there, as they went on to clinch the **winners** spot in the **Godmanchester 5 a side** end of season tournament. The boys are now 7th in Division 14B, so congratulations on brining such a high standard of football to Bar Hill lads.

PRESENTATION EVENING

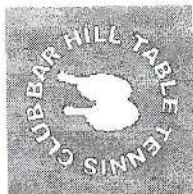


This year's end of season 'big bash' on **Saturday 10th May** will be split into two groups like last year, with the younger group, (Up to Under 11's), having a fun afternoon on the village green. The older lads will get their chance later that same evening in the school hall. This will follow the same format as last year, so get your thinking caps on for the quiz, during the half time interval. Please do come along and support the children's efforts over the last year.

More 'soccer news' in the next issue.

Barry Dean

WEBSITE: www.barhillcolts.freemove.co.uk E-MAIL: soccer@barhillcolts.freemove.co.uk



Bar Hill Table Tennis Club

The Table Tennis Club meets every Tuesday evening at the school hall. The Juniors Session runs from 7:00pm till 8:00pm, The intermediates from 8:00pm till 9:00pm, and the Seniors from 8:00pm till 9:30pm. If you want to come along and enjoy a friendly game of table tennis, or if you would just like to come and see what goes on, please do contact any of the people listed, we are only too keen to help and advise. We are now well into the annual knockout tournaments, so news of the winners etc. will appear soon. If you would like to come and join in the fun, of a friendly evening of Table Tennis, then please feel free to contact us, on the numbers below, at any time.

CONTACT NAMES

Brian Howard – 781945 (Seniors)

Barry Dean – 205670 (Int'meds)

Martin Smith – 782760 (Juniors)

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Please contact Claire Thorby on 781527 for more information.

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For details contact: *Junior Herbert*
200315 or 07900 553963

Girls Football

If you are aged between 9 and 16 and enjoy playing football, come and join us at the new astro-turf football pitch at the rear of Bar Hill Primary School. Football coaching takes place on Monday evenings (Under 12's: 7pm to 8pm & Under 16's: 8pm to 9pm). The coaching sessions will hopefully improve your skill and technique, but more importantly be great fun.

The coaches will be qualified, holding either UEFA B or FA Coaching Certificate. They also have first aid and child protection certificates and have been police checked.

All we ask from you is £1 per week to cover costs. So come along, have fun and improve your skills and technique.

Training is being organised in conjunction with Cambs FA, Active Sports and Bar Hill Football Project.

For further information contact Jim Hill 01223 576770 or Paul Thorby on 781527.



Bowls in Bar Hill

The Bar Hill Football Project committee would like to encourage a bowls club to be formed or casual pay-and-play bowls on their floodlit synthetic grass pitch.

We have played a trial game on the pitch with good results including full bias on the ball. The pitch would be available during the day and in the evening during the Spring and Summer.

If you are interested in playing bowls or if you have any spare bowls equipment to donate to help encourage participation please contact Paul Thorby (Secretary, Bar Hill Football Project) on 781527.

Free kick-around

There is a free sessions run on the astro every Thursday unless it is raining. It starts at 3.30 pm onwards. Girls and boys are welcome to come along have a kick around. If you would like more details phone Lisa on 201160



Bar Hill Tennis Club

The new tennis season is rapidly approaching and we are all hoping for a long hot summer! Before the new season begins we invite all existing but particularly potential new members to our **OPEN DAY** 10am to 1pm Saturday 10 May.

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The Club has vacancies for both adult and junior members. We offer coaching from our club coach and we would particularly welcome new adult members.

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JUNIORS	£25
ADULTS	£30
FAMILY	£65

We play on our own floodlit courts behind the School and welcome players of all abilities. We play socially for fun and to keep fit and also run teams competing in the local league. Our ladies and men's team are preparing for the new season by holding practice sessions at 7.00pm on 31.3, 7.4, & 14.4 and any one wanting to play competitive tennis is welcome.

We have a very active junior section with coaching provided for the youngsters. We start our first adult club night on Tuesday 29 April and have plenty of court hours available for members outside the normal Club nights. Do come along and have a game with us!

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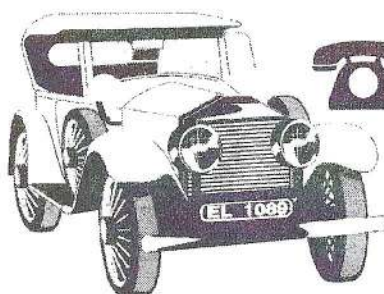
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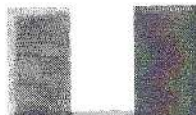
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8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Prayers

Thurs 17th **Maundy Thursday**

8.00pm Holy Communion & Foot Washing

Friday 18th **Good Friday**

10.00am **Good Friday Reflections**

Sun 20th **Easter Day**

6.00am Sunrise Service

10.00am Morning Worship & Family Communion

6.30pm No Evening Service

Sun 27th

10.00am Quaker Service

6.30pm Quiet Communion

Preacher: Rev Gary Renison

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Children's Activities

Stepping Stones - Friday 11th April. Easter Activity Time for all babies, toddlers and pre-school children and their parents and carers. From 1.45pm to 2.45pm in the Octagon. Entrance free. Everyone welcome just to turn up for coffee and conversation for the adults and an opportunity for the children to play ending with a songs and story time.

For more information please contact Marianne Langston on 200716.

Power Pals - Friday 16th May - put the date in your diary now From 3.30pm until 5.00pm in the Main Church from children in Reception and years 1 and 2. A fun session to learn

about Jesus through songs, stories, games and crafts. Cost £1.00. For an application form contact Melanie Stamp on 203554.

Bright Sparks and Live Wires

These weekly clubs which meet in the Octagon on a Thursday offer children a chance to discover more about Jesus and the Bible through crafts, games, singing and activities.

Bright Sparks for Reception and school years 1 and 2 from 6.00pm to 7.00pm

Live Wires for school years 3, 4, 5 and 6 from 6.30pm to 7.30pm

For more information please contact Wendy Arrowsmith on 781381.

People to contact:

The Minister: Rev Gary Renison
781629

The Assistant Minister: Rev Paul Rush
204812

Church Administrator: Mrs. Claire Thorby (Tel. & Fax **206120**)

Church Secretary: Ms Alison Burling
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On the Move

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Holydays of Obligation:

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Details of other services are published in the weekly newsletter which is available at the 6 pm Mass each Saturday - copies are available in the Church Centre.

What's On

Date Time Event Location

April

Wed 2 nd	8.00pm	Tots and Teds AGM	Church Meetings Room
Thu 3 rd	7.45pm	Neighbourhood Watch AGM	School
Thu 3 rd	8.00pm	8 O'Clock Club - Members Meal	
Fri 4 th		80's disco, all you can eat buffet (£10 per person)	Moat House Hotel (249988)
Sat 5 th	2.00pm	PTA Nearly New Sale	School
Sat 5 th	7.30pm	Conservatives - Supper	52 Moat Way Swavesey
Sun 6 th	10.15am	Comberton Ramblers - Babraham & Roman road	Tel 01223 263232
Tue 8 th	8.00pm	Residents' Association meeting	School
Wed 9 th	8.00pm	Quiz Night (Spotlight ADS)	Village Hall
Sat 12 th	12.30pm	Knit & Natter Easter Lunch	Octagon (Tel Sue 780260)
Mon 14 th	3.30pm	Sunshine Easter Treasure Hunt	Sparc
Wed 16 th	10.00am	Tots & Teds Sponsored Easter obstacle race	Church Meetings Room
Thu 17 th	8.00pm	NWR "In the Days of Oliver Cromwell"	16 Acorn Avenue
Thu 17 th	7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
Thu 24 th	7.45pm	Swavesey Radsoc - Curtain Call	Swavesey Village College
Thu 24 th	7.30pm	Royal British Legion	Village Hall
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Fri 25 th	7.45pm	Swavesey Radsoc - Curtain Call	Swavesey Village College
Sat 26 th	7.45pm	Swavesey Radsoc - Curtain Call	Swavesey Village College
Sun 27 th	10.15am	Comberton Ramblers - Greensands Ridge	Tel 01223 264282
Mon 28 th	10.00am	Tots and Teds Playday	Church Meetings Room
Mon 28 th	12.00am	Sunshine Play Day	Sparc
Mon 28 th	8.00pm	NWR "Patio / Small Place Gardening"	20 Field View
Wed 30 th	7.30pm	Annual Parish Meeting (all welcome)	Village Hall
Wed 30 th	12:30pm	Ladies International Group Shared Lunch	Willingham (Tel Jo 780304 or Swee Kim 200527)

May

Sat 10 th	10.00am	Tennis Club Open Day	Tennis Courts
Thu 15 th	8.00pm	NWR "The Weakest Link"	37 Acorn Avenue

Casual Vacancy Bar Hill Parish Council

We have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. If you are interested in being co-opted please apply in writing to:

Mrs L Baffa,
Parish Clerk,
Bar Hill Parish Council,
The Village Hall,
The Spinney,
Bar Hill,
Cambs CB3 8SU

Applications must be received
no later than 30th April 2003



Bar Hill Village Fete

The theme for 2003 is the Caribbean and will feature :-

- A steel band
- A fire-eater
- A limbo dancer (with audience-participation !)

plus all the usual attractions that mean fun for young and old alike.

- Venue - the village green.
- Date - 28 June 2003
- Time - 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Don't miss it!



SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

BAR HILL & DISTRICT BRANCH

Saturday 5th April: Supper at 52 Moat Way, Swavesey, by kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. R. Ottley. Tickets £8, each 7.30 for 8 pm.

Tel: 205265

email: barhillconservatives@ntlworld.com

When you're out, please remember...
Take nothing but photographs
Leave nothing but footprints
Please look after our environment.